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TO-DAY'S CABLES.

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FIUME.

THE ITALIAN POINT OF VIEW.

LONDON, May 10.

Signor Orlando said Britain and France had always most loyally acknowledged their pledge of honour to Italy. He described the accusation of imperialism against Italy as an insult and declared that the Italians displayed no greed when billions were being demanded for reparation or when divisions of rich and vast territories in Asia and Africa were discussed, but their passion and energy and will were aroused when they heard the grievous cries of their brothers. They appealed to the Allied peoples and governments on the ground of blood-fellowship, not on the letter of the treaty. They desired and were resolved that the alliance should not be broken, and that all the peoples who had shed their blood in common, especially the Americans who sacrificed themselves for the victory of an ideal, should continue loyal allies. Hence the Italian Government solemnly declared it was animated by the spirit of conciliation.

LONDON, April 30.

The Times opines that Orlando's speech and the action of the Italian Chamber favours an equitable settlement of the Adriatic problem. It hopes the Italian delegation will return to Paris without delay. It considers that Signor Orlando has just won the finest success of his career.

BELGIUM IN SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES.

LONDON, April 30.

It is stated in Belgian circles in Paris that unless Belgium immediately obtains credit for at least a hundred millions sterling, it will be impossible to save the country from irretrievable disaster. It was the seriousness of the position that brought the premier Dierckx and other ministers to Paris. It is stated the Belgian delegates emphasised to the council that unless the credit was granted it would be impossible for the Belgians to sign the peace treaty.

The Council of Three has given definite satisfactory assurances to the Belgian delegates, who communicated them to their government.

RACING.

LONDON, April 30.

Betting for the city and suburban was 6/1 Royal Bucks, 100/7 Arion, 5/2 Damsell. Thirteen ran.

GERMAN PRISONERS MAY GO HOME IF

LONDON, April 30.

The special commission which has been studying the question of German war-prisoners, whereof 700,000 are still in allied countries, has decided in favour of the repatriation of these prisoners provided capable German workmen are sent to France to reconstruct the devastated regions.

BYE-ELECTION.

ANOTHER COALITION REVERSE.

Central Aberdeen had a bye-election owing to the death of the Coalition Unionist member Lt.-Col. Gordon. The result was: Major Wood (Liberal) 4,950; L. Davidson (Coalition Unionist) 4,764; and J. F. Duncan (Labour) 3,482.

RUMANIANS ATTACK HUNGARY.

LONDON, April 28.

Budapest admits that the Rumanians are attacking with some success. At one point the Hungarians were forced back some kilometers.

A Rumanian communique announces the capture on April 20 of eight Hungarian towns, including Grosswarden. Hundreds of prisoners and several railways were taken. The population everywhere was most friendly.

LUXEMBURG.

LONDON, April 28.

Luxemburg demands "self-determination" based on Wilson's principles.

A CONTRADICTION.

LONDON, April 28.

It having been stated that President Wilson's Fiume proclamation was provoked by government posters in Rome proclaiming the annexation of Fiume, the *Matin* now says that Italians deny that such posters ever appeared.

OUR AFGHAN WAR.

SMAL, May 10.

The Afghan position on Friday followed the crest of the ridge dividing Landikotal from the plains of Afghanistan. The enemy had small detachments at Ashkhal and Piru Khel, which are small villages in the British limits. Near Landikotal the enemy force is estimated at 4,000 Afghan infantry with eight guns and 3,000 tribesmen. The main Afghan strength is concentrated in "bags" and has spurs commanding it. The "bags" are important owing to the proximity of springs supplying water to Landikotal. Our advance troops under Genl. Crocker pushed forward on the 9th and ejected the Afghans from Ashkhal. Advance was made down the pass west of Landikotal. The operation was successful and our casualties were slight. Our first objectives were secured and the troops at Landikotal are now enabled to cover the concentration of troops operating in the Khyber area. Aeroplanes co-operated effectively, using bombs and Lewis guns. They found excellent targets.

U. S. A.

LONDON, April 28.

Senator Lodge in the U. S. Senate delivered a speech in which he said that Americans should not meddle in European questions. What was of more consequence to them than Fiume or Darzig was the fact that the Japanese insisted on taking Shantung. It was not in Europe but in Asia that American interests were comparable to those of the Allies. The Senate would have to watch this matter.

REMOVING WAR MEASURES.

LONDON, April 30.

A communique from Paris reports that the naval armistice authorities have removed the restrictions on fishing in the Kattegat and extended the North Sea fishing limits.

Steps have been taken to permit the importation of all commodities except war material to northern neutral countries and Switzerland and the transportation of foodstuffs thence to Germany unrestrictedly. To facilitate commerce and to forward relief supplies, the council decided to permit shipments of all commodities except munitions through Germany under licence. It also considered questions of facilitating traffic on the Danube and of increasing coal production in Austria, Hungary, and Poland.

ALIENS IN THE EMPIRE.

LONDON, April 30.

In the House of Commons at question time Mr. E. Law stated that the principles of the Aliens Restriction Bill had already been embodied in Indian legislation and the colonies and protectorates would be invited to adopt the general principles of any legislation adopted at Home so far as it was suitable to their circumstances.

GERMAN DOINGS.

LONDON, April 29.

Yesterday Government troops began operations for the encirclement of Munich.

LONDON, April 29.

Libau says a new government has been formed composed of six Letts and four Germans, with the Reverend Needra as premier. Jews and workmen are unrepresented.

LONDON, April 28.

Libau reports that the Baltic German troops who were operating against the Bolsheviks were brought back to Libau ostensibly for a rest.

They have overthrown the Lettish provisional government. This coup d'etat was carried out with the connivance of von der Goltz, the German generalissimo. Replying to a protest by Allies' representatives at Libau, von der Goltz denied responsibility but has not taken any steps to liberate the Lettish cabinet ministers. It is pointed out that the necessity has hereby arisen for enforcement of clause twelve of the armistice treaty.

LONDON, April 28.

Britain has demanded the restoration of the position at Libau as it existed before the coup d'etat. The German government replying to the Allied protest declared that the revolution was the work of the natives. The *Zuecofuhrlatt*, however, represents it as a pan-German reactionary intrigue. It most strongly condemns the coup d'etat, and says Germany needs peace, yet the *affair* is a proof that the German policy of intrigues is still being played.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PRESENTING THE PEACE TERMS.

HOW "THE TIGER" TALKED.

LONDON, May 8.

The Germans received the peace terms at the hands of the victors at Versailles. The ceremony lasted 58 minutes. All the Powers at war with Germany were represented. M. Clemenceau presided. He delivered a stern speech. "The time and season has come when we must settle our accounts. You have asked for peace. We are ready to give you peace. This second treaty of Versailles has cost us too much for us not to be entitled to exact by all the means in our power the guarantees and satisfactions which we think necessary."

Messrs Wilson and Lloyd George promised to propose a defensive agreement to their respective governments, drawn up in the form of a separate treaty, being in effect an alliance between Great Britain, America, and France. This proposed engagement is regarded as a distinct victory for France, says "Havas."

ACROSS THE ATLANTIC IN 20 HOURS.

LONDON, April 28.

An American naval seaplane on her trial flight accomplished 1,250 miles in 20 hours. It is estimated that 20 hours will be all that are necessary for the seaplane to do the transatlantic flight.

SOCIALISM.

LONDON, April 27.

The Socialist Commission considered a project for an *internationale* based upon the Trade Union, Socialist, and Co-operative movements in all countries.

HUNGARY.

LONDON, April 27.

A proclamation that the Allied armies will occupy Hungary to restore order comes from Nuremberg.

KAISER NOT TO BE CHARGED WITH BREACH OF NEUTRALITY.

LONDON, April 28.

The *Times* Paris correspondent says the report of the commission on responsibility for the war recommends the trial of all persons for breaches of the customs of war but does not advise that acts which provoked the war should be charged against their authors before a tribunal. The report opines that no criminal charges can be made against responsible authorities or individuals notably the ex-Kaiser, under the special head of breaches of neutrality but urges that they should be formally condemned by the conference.

The *Daily Express* Paris correspondent says the responsibilities commission originally reported against the prosecution of the Kaiser, which America and Japan also opposed. Certain changes were insisted by the British delegates on the advice of the South African representatives and President Wilson gave way at the last moment. Hence the prosecution of the Kaiser is now among the conditions of peace.

GENERAL FRENCH AS AUTHOR.

INTERESTING DISCLOSURES.

LONDON, April 30.

A further instalment of General French's book describes his visit to Poincare in 1914. He found the President most hopeful. M. Poincare discoursed playfully of the possibility of the British fighting another battle of Waterloo. General French says history will rank Joffre as one of our supremely great leaders. He says he asked Joffre as the British army was posted on the left or exposed flank to place a French cavalry division and two reserve divisions under French's orders. Joffre was unable to do this. French says he was not surprised when General Lanrezac turned out to be the most complete example of a staff college pedant whose "superior education" had given him little idea how to conduct war. French discloses that he asked for Plumer to succeed Grierson in command of the second corps and that Smith Dorrien was sent out without reference to French.

SEBASTOPOL EVACUATED.

LONDON, April 29.

Paris learns that the evacuation of Sebastopol was completed yesterday. All war material was shipped or destroyed.

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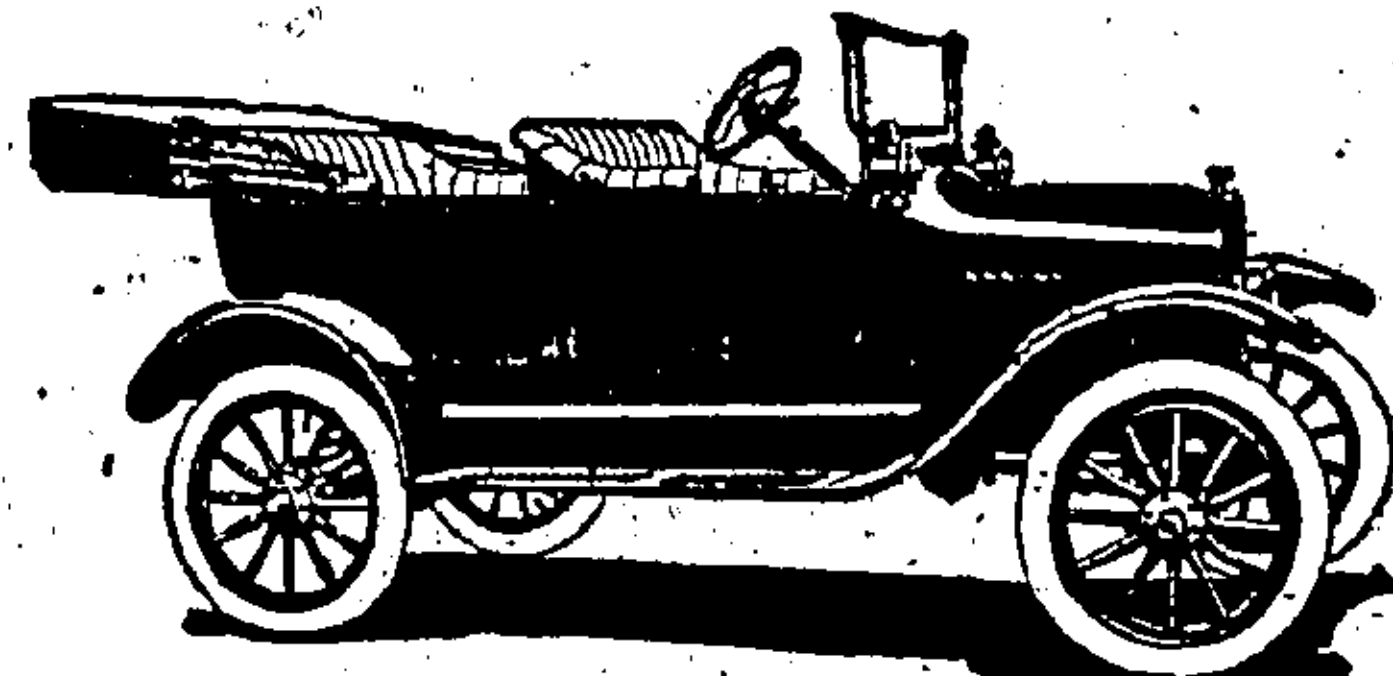
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of receiving the Report of the Directors

together with the Statements of

Account to 31st December, 1918, and

of declaring Dividends, &c.

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DEATH.

SOURNE.—On May 8, at Shanghai, Martha Ann, the beloved wife of E. J. Bourne (Tientsin), aged 30 years.

The China Mail.

TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, MAY 15, 1919.

IMPRACTICAL, BUT—

A case at the Supreme Court attracts our attention. We have no desire to discuss the merits of it, and it would be improper to do so if we had, pending the Court's decision. But may we not use it as a text for a little sermon, or rather as an illustration, as a type which has made us dream dreams Utopian?

When Bolshevik dreams come true, such proceedings will be impossible. Here we have a man who claims to be entitled to a large sum of money. Three legal professionals are employed by him to get it. There is a sum, larger than the sum claimed, in the hands of another official—whom we may consider as representing another creditor—and he has to be represented by Counsel also. Then we have long legal arguments. We have little problems on the side, like "What is a public officer?" which anybody but a lawyer is willing to answer offhand and positively. These are discussed and solved, as also a question whether the Judge ought to listen to the claim at all. All this is quite usual, and the particular case is referred to only because it happens to be the latest and is typical.

When Bolshevik dreams come true there will be no lawyers, no law books, no precedents, no finicky definitions of plain terms. Won't it be lovely? All races have adages about lawyers which show their universal unpopularity. The most incisive one comes from the French peasantry, and represents "virtue in the midst of vice" as the Devil sitting between two lawyers! There is a reason. Lawyers are hitting at it. Lawyers are expensive excrecences on the body social, and there is a suspicion that they are less wholesome than a suppurating sore. In certain circumstances they can be reasonable, reasoning human beings, but when they are at work they are just lawyers. They give us very good law, the best of them, but that is not to say that they

give us justice, which is, after all, what we want. Law has developed (judiciously trained that way for professional reasons) into a very roundabout route to justice, so turning and twisting on its tracks that it sometimes fails to arrive. Law should be a branch of social hygiene, not an intelligent person would dream of regarding it now. Without any local reference, of course, and certainly none to the case we mentioned, but merely in pursuit of the literary image, we dub law social quackery, which is neat and fits it.

When Bolshevik dreams come true there will still be judges, because there will still be litigious persons. These judges will have much higher pay (we say this to soften the blow for our legal friends) but they will not be learned in the law. They will be learned in human nature. Each judge will have clerks, who will take down in writing from the parties the statement of claim and the defence if any. These writings will be numbered in rotation, and the parties will be called before the Judge when their turn comes. With the writings before him, he will himself examine them, and cross-examine those he mistrusts, and he will give his decision at once. That decision will be final and subject to no appeal, and the dissatisfied party will be rightly served for not having the sense to agree with his adversary while he was yet in the way.

Of course this Bolshevik dream will never come true, really, so that the lawyers may read this article with chuckles, and not be angry. Their job is safe, and dreams butter no parsnips. If dreams were any use, we would beg one of our lawyer friends to dream about the judgment of Solomon, and to write out for us just how that section of scripture would have read had the two women, and the baby, been represented by Counsel. As it is, we have half a mind to offer them a prize to do it.

"And Solomon arose; and, behold, it was a dream."

"The one woman was represented by Mr. —, whilst Mr. — appeared for the other. Mr. — watched the case on behalf of the baby."

Mr. — asked leave to enter the objection that until the first claimant had put in her marriage lines, her claim to the infant should not be heard.

His Lordship asked if the question of legitimacy really arose.

Mr. — No, my Lord. Quite the contrary. Under section ii of the Midwifery Acts I submit that my client has amply proved her title, and besides, the child has red hair.

His Lordship said he would certainly make a note of this point.

Mr. — urged that the law did not contemplate the factor of infantile hair, as so many were hairless.

His Lordship asked if there happened to be a sword in court.

Counsel for the baby entered a demurrer. Quoting the law as to wards in chancery, he submitted that his client had conscientious objection to vivisection. Besides, it would hurt. His Lordship adjourned the case for a few centuries and reserved judgment for a few more.

That wasn't Solomon's way! He had a "wise and understanding heart," and knew no more law than we do—probably less. This was perhaps due to his habit of getting married so much.

THE NEW "CHINA REVIEW."

The second number of the new *China Review* is more readable than the first. It has "got into its stride," apparently. For frontispiece it has a natural-looking photograph of Professor Giles, which will be much appreciated by his many admirers. The number opens with a rather precious article by Lionel C. Hopkins about the ancient method of working the oracle by means of singed tortoise-shell and bones. There is another instalment of Henri Dore's "grand Pelerinage Bouddhique," full of odds and ends of interesting detail. The second part of Herbert Chatley's notes on Chinese Psychology is very interesting, especially the section "Sex in Chinese Philosophy." It promises to be a very helpful series. Christopher Irving writes a most interesting but in places slightly offensive account of his visit to Wu'ai-shan and the Dalai Lama. It is the best, most vivid description of the holy mountain we have read; but it was necessary for the Dalai Lama's kindly treated guest to come away and write that "there was nothing disagreeable either in his manners or in his appearance." Moreover, it would have been possible to find a more kindly, and orthodox, explanation of the Dalai Lama's refusal of a gift of money than that it was "inspired by a wish to show Western foreigners that there was nothing sordid or mercenary about the incarnate Avalokitesvara." As he got this "information" from Captain Wang of the Chinese Army, who, on the writer's own showing, was regarded as a spy and kept at arm's length, it had no more value than an opinion anyway. It is the supercilious note in these things that we find slightly offensive. But the article is of intriguing interest, none the less. Next we come to a plate, a coloured reproduction of a sixteenth century Chinese painting, with a brief note about its subject, Ming Huang and his famous concubine, Yang Kwei-fei. Then comes a very sympathetic sketch of the life and work of Archibald J. Little, who deserved every line of this well-written tribute to his memory. Major Yett continues his Taoist tales. We hope Editor Couling will induce him, or some other competent commentator, to give us an intelligible commentary on the Tao Te-ching. There is room for one. Perhaps Arthur Morley had better do it. He contributes a long instalment of "Study in Early Chinese Religion," which promises to be a very close study indeed. His Naturalistic interpretation of the Chinese "Heaven" calls for quotation:

"Allow that in all things, including the soul of man, there is one common life potent and all-pervading, which though it may have an individual manifestation or be present locally with augmented energy, can never be wholly severed from the Common Source, and is so far sentient as to resent any want of harmony with itself; then we have a religion which teaches that Society is a phenomenon of nature and that morality is the living in harmony with its laws. What more do we find in the 'Heaven' of these books? Classical Chinese indeed has no word for nature except Heaven, and were it not so closely associated with Shang-ti, probably no one un-influenced by theological propaganda would take Heaven in these passages to mean anything more than nature."

The continuation of this article will be eagerly awaited. Professor Peri writes of sinology in Indo-China, and especially of the institution founded by Governor Paul Doumer, with Louis Finot as first director. It was installed at Hanoi in premises that at the time seemed too big. It has grown since then. The library has 20,000 volumes, and may be considered the first of its kind in the Far East. The "notes and queries" section of the *China Review* has not yet become as interesting as it might be, but a start is made with a bright note on Chinese alligators by E.T.C. Werner.

A good number, on which Mr. S. Couling is to be congratulated warmly, closes with a few reviews. One of these refers to the *China Mail* as having animus against missions, so we take the hint and refrain from some comments on this feature we had intended to make. A note of exclamation put after the citation of our remark that some of the Chinese officials understood Christianity better than did the average missionary (meaning C. I. M. men) suggests that the reviewer thinks it odd. He never heard that "lookers on see most of the game?" And does he suppose that Li Hung Chang's mind did not entertain a clearer, more clean-cut conception of that subject than the average missionary of the C.I.M.? If our remark was not just, if we are to be told that these well-meaning men are not intellectually

muddy, then the only alternative is a graver accusation—that of insincerity, which we have not made. Whether it would refer to us in approval or in censure, by the way, the new *China Review* is quite welcome to mention the *China Mail* by name. Established 64 years ago, we are too much identified with the country by now to be referred to as "a newspaper." We are the newspaper, and not lightly to be lumped with the Common Herd. How if we referred to this exceptional review as "a review"?

MUNDISM.

Mr. Volpicelli has written a long letter to prove that Fiume is and always was Italian. A *China Mail* reader kindly sent us a book which incidentally did the same thing. All this was hardly necessary. No one doubts it: Austria, in all sorts of mean ways, tried to convert its population. If Austria succeeded, it is no longer Italian. If Austria failed, it is still Italian. The history of Fiume is in this sense irrelevant. The principle of "self-determination" should apply, and the Italians are in no way uneasy as to how that would work. Suppose a plebiscite went against them, would they acquiesce? We fear not. Our attitude was a plea for the dispassionate method of President Wilson, which may have been mistaken, but which is preferable to the merely chauvinistic one. In 1862 Abraham Lincoln told the American Congress that "the dogmas of the quiet past are inadequate to the stormy present. As our case is new, we must think anew and act anew." This again reminds us of a verse by an American poet, which went somewhat like this:

New occasions teach new duties,
Time makes ancient good uncouth;
He must onward march, and upward,
Who would keep abreast of truth.
Happily, this spirit looks like prevailing. We hope that the Italians will be generous and accept the compromise proposed by France, which will, when the Jugoslavs are provided with the access to the Adriatic that they clearly ought to have, restore Fiume absolutely to Italy. The League of Nations will restore Fiume to Italy, and Kiaochow to China, when established and firmly set. Of this we are sure. But the Italian attitude as reported (or misreported?) might have nipped the League of Nations in the bud. This above all (even from the Italian point of view) was to be avoided. Patriotism was a virtue up to a certain stage in the history of social evolution. Now it is a vice. The new dispensation gives us mundism as a greater patriotism.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-day's dollar is worth 3s 6 7/16d.

To-day's return shows 11 plague cases.

Quarantine has been declared against Hongkong by Ningpo.

Captain Basil R. H. Taylor, R.N., has resumed his post as Harbour Master.

Lady Chater was a passenger back to the Colony by the *Shinyo Maru* this morning.

The Tai Koo Bowling Club held their opening day of the season on Saturday, May 25, when members of other clubs will be invited.

The Japanese cruiser *Nitaka* left harbour this morning. She exchanged salutes with the shore battery. The *Iwata* and *Chilose* leave in two days time.

The *Kuichow, Luchow, Sunning, Jinsing, Ursun Maru, Africa Maru, Kato Maru, Changchow, and Shimo Maru*, are among the latest arrivals in harbour.

Messrs. Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., P. & O. S. N. Co. agents, shipped by the s.s. *Hejaz*, on May 4, 38 cases Cigars, and 200 bales leaf tobacco to Gibraltar.

Inspectors McEwan and Brewer of the Sanitary Department are taking charge of the lunatics who are going Home for care and treatment. This is a new policy of the Government. They leave by the *Neardalia*, on May 28.

Numerous belated telegrams received overnight refer to popular demonstrations in Italy about Fiume. Others refer to the doings of the Paris Conference, since covered by later messages. One says that the Germans crumbled at the accommodation offered them at Versailles!

At Observation Pier at Tiffin time, a crane was unloading large packing cases containing Dodge motorcars in parts. The crane was lowering a bundle of heavy planks into a junk when the planks slipped the cable and smothered a coolie woman. This did not prevent her screaming loudly, and after a few minutes she was extricated, badly shaken and bruised, and in a fearful temper.

OUR SAILORS' PAY.

FURTHER INCREASES.

The *China Mail* learns that as the result of the recent representations by the men at Home, and the business-like manner in which the Admiralty dealt with the claims, new increases of pay have been approved and inclusive rates published.

These are published below and show a large increase on pre-war rates. Taking the lowest paid, it will be seen that a Boy, 1st class, now gets 1/9 a day, in pre-war days he received 9d. An ordinary seaman gets 2/9 as compared with a pre-war rate of 1/1.

In addition to the rates published there are various allowances to be added, viz: Separation, rum, etc. Good conduct badge money has been increased to 3d each, with a maximum of 9d.

The pension rates will also be improved. The new rates of pay absorb bonus, efficiency, good shooting, q. m. instrument, musical proficiency, and float allowances.

The new substantive rates of pay will date from February 1, 1919 for all men on active service on May 1, 1919.

We now look forward to a similar announcement for the Army and a similar sensible amalgamation of pay in place of the obsolete rules now existing.

The new rates of Naval pay, follow:

MARINES.
Private (embarked) and Gunner, 1st class, 4/-; Corporal 5/6; Sergeant 7/-; Colour Sergeant 8/6.

SIGNAL, TELEGRAPHIST, SICKBERTH, SHIP'S COOK, AND OFFICER'S SERVANT CLASS.

Boy 1/9; Ordinary 2/9. Equivalent ratings:—A.B. 4/3; P.O. 7/6; C.P.O. 9/-; Leading Rate 5/9.

MECHANICIANS.
Mechanicians 9/-; Chief 2nd class Mechanician 11/6; Chief 1st class Mechanician 12/6.

ENGINE ROOM ARTIFICERS AND SHIPWRIGHTS.

5th classes 6/6; 4th class 9/6; 3rd class 10/-; 2nd class 10/6; 1st class 11/-; 2nd class Chief 11/6; 1st class Chief 12/6.

PLUMBERS, PAINTERS, JOINERS, COOPERS.

5th class 5/3; 4th class 7/5; 3rd class 7/9; 2nd class 8/1; 1st class 8/5; Chief 9/9.

BLACKSMITHS.

3d. a day more than Plumbers.

ARMOURERS.
Probationary Armourer's Crew 5/6; Armourer's Crew 7/8; Armourer's Mate 8/4; Armourer 8/7; Chief Armourer 10/-.

WRITERS AND VICTUALLING RATING.
Equivalent ratings:—A.B. 4/6; Leading Rate 6/-; P.O. 7/9; C.P.O. 9/3. This absorbs Victualling Store Allowance.

NAVAL POLICE.

Police 8/-; Master-at-Arms 9/6.

SEAMEN CLASS.

Boy, 1st class, 1/9; Ordinary Seaman 2/9; A.B. 4/-; Leading Seaman 5/3; P.O. 7/-; C.P.O. 8/6; Stokers, second class, 3/3; Stokers, first class, 4/6; Leading Stokers 5/9; Stoker P.O. 7/6; Chief Stoker 9/-.

Special service seamen and stokers 6d. less.

TENNIS.

No. 88 Co. R.G.A. "A" v. No. 88 Co. R.G.A. "B."

There was considerable rivalry in this match in Victoria Barracks yesterday. The fixture was a Garrison League game. The "A" team contained the premier players and justified their selection by the results: Scores—

Cpl. Rollett, and L. Br. Amy, "A" team beat Cpl. Joy, and Gr. Moss, 6-3; beat Gr. Baines, and Gr. Long, 5-2; beat Gr. Horsfall and Gr. Sandell, 6-3.

C. Q. M. S. Talford and Sgt. Davies, "A" team, beat Cpl. Baines and Gr. Long, 5-4; beat Cpl. Joy and Gr. Moss, 6-3, lost to Gr. Horsfall and Gr. Sandell, 4-5.

C. S. M. Pragnell and Sgt. Armatys, beat Gr. Horsfall and Gr. Sandell, 7-2; beat Cpl. Joy and Gr. Moss, 8-1; beat Gr. Baines and Gr. Long, 8-1.

Totals:—"A" team, 55 games, "B" team, 26 games.

MUTINY ON "MERLIN."

John Bull says: "There was a shindy on H.M.S. *Merlin* the other day, at Ismailia, the stokers kicking against irregularities in pay matters, and the fact that they have been, as they say, improperly done out of release from the Service. As a result of the mutiny, the black gang have been sent to jail for 90 days. We never could make out why the sailors are not paid regularly."

[At the outbreak of war the *Merlin* was in Hongkong. She is an old ship, chiefly renowned for uncomfortable quarters and rotten jobs. When on the China Station she made frequent trips around Bortioe and other parts where there is no life, and nothing to break the monotony.]

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[OR] rheumatism you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Pain Balm. Now is the time to get rid of it. Try this liniment and see how quickly it will relieve the pain and remove the cause. For sale By All Chemists and Storekeepers.

THE PEAK SCHOOL.

ANNUAL PRIZE DISTRIBUTION.

The Peak School annual prize distribution and entertainment was held at the Peak Club yesterday afternoon, when a large gathering of parents and friends of the pupils were present. The proceedings commenced with a bright little entertainment provided by the pupils, the programme consisting of songs—some French ones—purs songs and recitations.

PROGRAMME.

Recitations: "Ye Mariners of England," Miss Esmée Scott Harston; "Soldier's Dream," Miss Hilda Butterfield.
Recitations: "Billy and Me," Jack Chapman; "Hills to Sky," Ronald Armstrong.
French Songs: "La Dame in Court," Pupils; "Le petit Jaccot," Misses Hilda Butterfield and Alys Crockett; "Je vis un petit Oiseau," Miss Lucy Ritter; "Fouette Cocher," David Ellis.
Recitations: "Baby Seed Song," Miss Pauline Patterson; "The Laughing Brook," Eric Crockett.
Recitations: "Rise up," Miss Pamela Scott Harston; "Past and Present," Miss Lucy Ritter.
Recitations: "My Shadow," Miss Rita Maitland; "The Sun's Travels," Miss Irina Ritter.

The annual report of the school was read by Mr. E. Ralph, on behalf of Mrs. Main, Headmistress. The prizes were presented by Mr. E. Ralph. After discharging this pleasant duty Mrs. Ralph congratulated the successful students and expressed the pleasure the excellent entertainment had given her.

Miss Madge Crispall then presented Mrs. Ralph with a bouquet of flowers.

Mr. C. E. H. Beavis, addressing the gathering, said they all wished to express their hearty thanks to Mrs. Main and her very efficient staff for the delightful entertainment they had enjoyed that evening. The singing had been sweet and charming and the recitation—excellent, the enunciation and expression showing what great pains had been taken in preparing the pupils. He congratulated Mrs. Main on the success of the function.

The singing of the "Marsellaise," the "Star-Spangled Banner" and the National Anthem terminated the proceedings.

THE REPORT.

The report for 1918 states:—During the period in review only 14 new pupils were admitted to the School, and 12 left it. The year opened with 47 pupils of the roll and closed with 40. The largest number present on one day was 53, and the average attendance for the year was 38. There were 188 school-days in the year.

The School has been visited every quarter by Dr. McKenny or Dr. Macaulay, and parents concerned were communicated with regarding suggestions made by the doctor in any case requiring special treatment. There has not been a single case of infectious disease, and the doctor's reports have invariably been very good.

During the cold season the attendance was good but the usual exodus started towards the end of March, and in July the numbers dwindled down to 25. It was well on into December before the children were all back at school again, many having been kept in Canada and Australia through lack of shipping accommodation.

The Staff consisted, at the beginning of the year, of one Headmistress, one certificated Assistant Mistress, and three Passed Student-teachers. Miss Dorothy Rodger left the school at the end of May, and Mrs. Fletcher joined the staff shortly afterwards, having been transferred from Kowloon School. On November 15 Miss Skinner was transferred to Queen's College and Mrs. Fletcher combined two classes and taught them until the end of the year. Mrs. Fletcher and Miss M. Rodger left at Christmas, the former going to England to join her husband, the latter to be married.

As 86 per cent. of the children in the school were under 10 years of age, the classification was somewhat simpler than when a larger number of older pupils attended the school.

The Headmistress took the older children and taught them in all subjects but drawing and brush-work. With the exception of our girls of 12 years who did work in preparation for the Oxford Preliminary Examination, the pupils in the top class of the school did work of an elementary nature. The next class was taught by Miss Skinner, the children's ages averaging 8 years. Miss M. Rodger and Miss Dorothy Rodger took the next lower classes, where the work was still more elementary. "Miss Jack" taught the kindergarten class where most of the children were only from 4½ to 5½ years of age.

The work of the school was according to a syllabus approved by the Inspector of Schools. This syllabus was based on one in use at Nulham Ford School, Oxford, drawn up by Miss Catherine Dodd, a well-known educationist, whose books in teaching have for some years been followed in the various classes. French was, as in previous years, made a special subject, the children in the top class receiving a 40-minute lesson, every

OUTRAGE ON BRITISHERS.

CONDUCT OF SWATOW MILITARY GOVERNOR.

Additional particulars are to hand regarding the case where the Military Governor of Swatow attempted to import useless banknotes.

It appears that there were some millions of dollars of these notes, which were presumably taken to the Headquarters of the Military Governor.

Swatow has, we understand, for months past been systematically pillaged by Chan Kwing Ming and his satellites who have at times even gone so far as to attempt to extort money from European firms. Apart from the indignity and insult offered to the European gentlemen, the flooding of Swatow and surrounding districts with worthless Military Notes would undoubtedly cause great loss and suffering to the inhabitants of the district as well as commercial welfare of the port.

TIENTSIN NOW REPENTS.

It is said that a circular is going round the business houses in Tientsin asking for the repeal of the Daylight Saving alteration of time as being a vexatious and unnecessary step. The position is being largely and influentially signed, principally by residents who were not given an opportunity of saying yes or no to the proposal.

The Hongkong Chamber of Commerce was reproved and accused of backwardness for not joining in the childish rush to adopt a measure useful elsewhere but not here called for. We might as well have adopted snowshoes from Canada as daylight saving. Our *latipans* had the sense to see this. The laugh is on all those others.

day of the week. The teaching of this subject was almost entirely by the direct method—conversations, songs, etc.

When the weather permitted, a short lesson was given every day followed by either a game or a dance. These lessons were given in the open air and were greatly enjoyed by the pupils. Mrs. Fletcher was particularly successful in teaching drill.

The singing of French and English songs was again made a feature of the school work. The school premises were extended by the inclusion of the rooms which had hitherto been used as the Headmistress's quarters. There is now ample class-room accommodation, while a study for the Headmistress and a common-room for the teachers supply a long felt want. New desks were supplied to the additional classrooms, and the school is now, as far as heavy furniture is concerned, extremely well supplied.

The annual sports took place through the kindness of the Hon. Mr. Sevan in the grounds adjoining his residence. Mr. Sevan entertained all parents and pupils to tea, and those parents and friends of the pupils furnished the prizes for the various events. An extremely successful meeting was held.

The pupils continued to subscribe (though in a decreasing amount since the year went on) to the support of several prisoners-of-war. We have now a balance of somewhat more than \$30, which we are proposing to give to the Blue Cross Fund when the fund is finally closed.

A few of the children helped to sell favours and badges on "Rose Day" and on "Heather Day."

PRIZE LIST.

Form I.—Angel Orniston, arithmetic; Veronica Butterfield, English; Esmée Scott Harston, composition and history 1917.

Form II.—David Ellis, French; Georgie Mosser, scripture; Hilda Butterfield, drawing.

Form I.—Pamela Harston, arithmetic 1917; Henry Butterfield, drawing; Lucy Ritter, French; Sheila Courrie, arithmetic; Ovidi Ritter, arithmetic.

Class V (a).—Brian Adams, form proficiency; Dennis Hurley, general proficiency; Ronald Armstrong, arithmetic; Gordon Chalmers, writing and French; William Hancock, history; and French; Alec Pearce, general proficiency; Gordon Burnett, composition.

Class V (b).—Jack Chapman, form prize; Charles Butterfield, English; Dillon Williams, general proficiency; Edward Wolfe, history and geography; Bobby Kent, composition and general knowledge; John Lindell, English.

Class VI.—Reggie Moss, form prize; Pat Hurley, general proficiency; Laughton Leake, general improvement; Kenneth Chapman, improvement; Russel McIntyre, regular attendance.

Infants.—Joelie Harston (1917), handwriting; Juppie Jonckheer, general improvement; Dickie Bowley, general improvement; Arthur Bowley, kindergarten; Colin Black, singing; Irving Ritter, handwriting; Pip Manning, general knowledge; John Lowe, oral composition; Dorothy Jacobs, general improvement; Bruce Holdsworth, recitation.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

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BUDGET FIGURES.

LONDON, April 30.
The Budget estimated a daily expenditure of \$3,143,000. The actual daily outlay was \$7,067,000.
Inland revenue increased under every heading. Customs and excise showed a surplus over estimates of \$1,520,000. Tea accounted for two millions of that sum.
For the current year the expenditure estimated was \$1,437,000,000, and the revenue \$1,160,000,000 without the new taxes.
In introducing the budget Mr. Chamberlain emphasised the difficulty of his task owing to the people now refusing to save or lend money as readily as they did during the war. On March 31 the national debt was \$7,435,000,000 as compared with last year's estimate of \$7,980,000,000 and with pre-war figure of \$640,000,000. Exchequer issues last year were \$293,000,000 below the estimates.
Of the total expenditure closing the fiscal year 34.7 was provided from revenue, the balance from borrowing. Our record in this respect for the past five years was unequalled by any other belligerent. National war bonds provided \$286,000,000 and war savings certificates \$289,000,000.
Taking the period before and since the armistice from April 1 to Nov. 9 the daily expenditure had been \$7,443,000 and from Nov. 9 it was \$6,746,000. The reduction would have been greater but for expenditure in connection with demobilisation, fifty-two millions for gratuities, and thirteen millions for unemployment. The estimated revenue was \$342,000,000; the actual was \$389,000,000. Receipts exceeded estimates by forty seven millions.
The national debt comprised \$6,085,000,000 internal and \$1,350,000,000 of external debt. On the asset side were obligations by the Allies and Dominions which amounted on March 31 to \$1,739,000,000 whereof \$171,000,000 were owed by the Dominions and \$1,568,000,000 by the Allies. Russia owed \$568,000,000, France \$434,000,000, Italy \$412,500,000, Belgium \$36,000,000 and Serbia \$18,000,000.

U.S. SUPERDREADNOUGHT LAUNCHED.

LONDON, April 30.
New York reports that the super-dreadnought *Tennessee* (32,000 tons) was launched to-day. The total cost is estimated at fifteen millions of dollars. She carries twelve fourteen-inch guns and burns oil exclusively. Her speed will be 21 knots.

FRANCE AND ITALY.

LONDON, April 30.
President Poincaré has sent a message to Italy which emphasised that the Franco-Italian unity of war-time would remain during peace. Nothing would separate them. Any cooling of their friendship would be a catastrophe for civilisation.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BEGRUDGED AND DEFENDED.

LONDON, April 29.
In the House of Commons the Labour Minister, defending the payment of the unemployment donation, pointed out that the million recipients included 350,000 members of the Forces, 180,000 ex-munitioners, and 100,000 cotton operatives who were unemployed owing to the blockade. Abuses were inevitable but he was confident that half the complaints were without foundation. Any frauds discovered would be prosecuted relentlessly. Since the armistice three million out of four million demobilised soldiers and civilians had been absorbed in industry. This was a remarkable achievement, because it took years to get from war work to peace work. Also the central empires and Russia, which used to take a quarter of our exports, were closed and China, Japan, and New Zealand, which used to take another quarter, were practically cut off by shipping difficulties. Therefore there was no need to despair of the future.

MORE SOLDIERS WANTED.

MANY RE-CALLED.

LONDON, April 29.
In the House of Commons at question time Mr. Churchill stated that the Cabinet had decided to recall to the army soldiers now working on the land. This after very careful consideration. The men are most urgently required for special military duties in France, on the Rhine, and elsewhere. They are ineligible for demobilisation at present. Every effort will be made to meet any consequent inconvenience. Ireland, Egypt, India, the army on the Rhine, the imperial war graves commission and the department of agriculture were all clamouring for men. He was confronted with extreme difficulties in meeting the manifold needs of the public service at present but was certain that vital needs must be met.

TO-DAY'S CABLES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail)

MASS MEETINGS ARE NEVER WISE.

LONDON, April 29.
Tokyo reports a mass meeting which passed a resolution that Japan would not join the League of Nations if racial equality were not included in the covenant.

INTERNATIONAL SOCIALISTS.

LONDON, April 29.
Amsterdam reports that the international Socialist conference resolved to oppose any peace conflicting with Wilson's fourteen points. It recommended the sending of a committee comprising Branting, Huysmann, Henderson, and others to remain in Paris until the peace preliminaries were signed, owing to uneasiness caused by the decisions of the Paris Conference. This committee was charged to demand an interview with the Big Four.

ITALY AND THE ADRIATIC.

MEMORANDUM BY PRESIDENT WILSON.

LONDON, April 30.

[The first part of this message is not yet come.]

The memorandum by Wilson says it should enjoy very considerable autonomy and while it should doubtless be included in the customs system of the new Jugoslav State, it should be free to serve commerce. He believes there will be common agreement that the island of Lissa should be ceded to Italy and that Italy should retain the port of Volpina. Also that the Austrian fortifications on the islands near the east coast of the Adriatic should be permanently dismantled under international guarantees. The disarmament which is to be arranged under the League of Nations should limit the states of the east coast of the Adriatic to naval forces necessary to police the waters, islands, and coast.

THE MURDERED AMIR.

HIS OWN BROTHER CONVICTED.

LONDON, April 26.
The *Times*' Simla correspondent says Nasr Ullah Khan was convicted at Kabul of sentencing the Amir's murder and sentenced to imprisonment for life. The Afghan colonel who was the actual murderer was executed.

BRITISH AGRICULTURE.

LONDON, May 1.
The Government has appointed a Royal Commission to enquire into the economic position of agriculture and to ascertain how best to encourage agriculture and to enable the payment of reasonable wages to labourers.

AN OFFICIAL ABSURDITY.

Some very remarkable information was supplied in the House of Commons by Colonel Wilson, in reply to Colonel Wm. Thorne, who asked a question relative to the pre-war cost of the freight of certain commodities, together with that charged during a period when the Government had the control and the profits. Dealing with the cost of meat carriage from New Zealand, Colonel Wilson said that while the pre-war charge from New Zealand was from 9-16 of a penny to 13-16 of a penny, the charge under the Government regime rose to 2-21/74d at one period and 1-9/77d at another period—truly formidable figures with which to bombard the ubiquitous "Man in the Street," who would scarcely credit the fact that these simply record a drop in the charge from about 2d to 2d. Again we are informed by Col. Wilson that the cost of importing meat from the River Plate was pre-war 7-16d to 3d per pound, and under Government control it ranged between 1-6/48d and 1-2/578d (in plain English 1d to 1-1/4d). Really, it is too absurd. If the Government officials find it absolutely necessary to their well being, and due to a sense of their own importance and self respect to indulge in such curiosities of figures, which may be necessary in certain circumstances, they should at least refrain from inflicting them upon a defenceless public, who have paid, or are doing their best to pay, the costs of the war, and do not deserve such shabby treatment at the hands of their arithmetical superiors. What these officials' lack is a saving sense of humour (though they provide it often enough), and they cannot comprehend it when they find the country laughing at their idiosyncrasies.

Ticket No. 189 won the yacht *Antares*. Part of the proceeds of the raffle will be given to St. Dunstan Home.

AN INTERESTING CLAIM.

BY COMRADE OF GERMAN FIRM.

Continuing his argument yesterday in reply to the Hon. Mr. Pollock's preliminary objection, the Hon. Mr. Alabaster said there were no merits in such an application. There was no suggestion that, not having got the money himself, the applicant had used it to assist the enemy. The objection made by his learned friend had no technical merits. Counsel, as reported in yesterday's *China Mail*, contended that having entered an unconditional appearance, the Crown had lost its right to make the application to set aside the claim on the ground of irregularity, and in support of his submission read extracts from the *White Book*.

Continuing, Counsel said that Mr. Pollock had pointed out that permission should have been obtained from the Governor. This, he said, was because his friend was under the impression that the applicant was proceeding under the Alien Enemies Winding-up Ordinance. He would like to put Mr. Pollock right on that score. The application, he said, was made, as was shown in the copy on file, under Section 17 of Ordinance 22 of 1915.

Proceeding, Mr. Alabaster said that the Crown charged the applicant with taking money from an alien enemy; and submitted that he was entitled to do so. There was nothing against it. But, he added, the applicant had not assisted an alien enemy, and, even assuming he had, it was no defence to the claim in question.

His Lordship: The suggestion was that the firm had spent the money exporting goods from China to Germany.

Mr. Alabaster: I can only say that is a childish and rubbishy suggestion. The money was deposited with the firm years and years before the war, and he was perfectly entitled to it. Some of the money was paid in Hongkong, and the balance was remitted to Hongkong. The Crown had said that the amount did not appear in the books. The applicant had gone into the books, and found they were only for 1914 and later years, and the fact that it was not in those books proved that it must have been spent before 1914 in sending goods from China.

Referring to the declaration of the applicant, Counsel showed that the firm stopped all business on the outbreak of war and all existing contracts were broken.

Dealing with the point made by Mr. Pollock that the money was paid in Canton and that the local Court had no jurisdiction over it, Mr. Alabaster said that it was a firm's debt, and, wherever the assets were, there one must go to get them.

The action was not a personal one against the Custodian. There were German assets in his hands, which would meet the applicant's claim. The Custodian would not have to pay the money out of his private purse, and it was not connected with the winding-up. There were neither real nor technical merits in the technical objection.

In his reply Mr. Pollock said that at any stage, he would have asked for judgment for the defendant on the ground that the Governor had not given permission for the action. He had hoped to shorten the proceedings by making the preliminary application. It was absurd that having entered an unconditional appearance, the defendant could not plead irregularity on the part of the applicant.

Dealing with the submission that the action was brought under the Enemy Trading Ordinance, Counsel drew his Lordship's attention to the summons itself, in which the Custodian was specially mentioned. He said that the summons contained an application direct to the Custodian to pay to Lo Shui Po part of the monies which he held as Custodian.

His Lordship having intimated that he did not agree with Mr. Pollock's objection, Mr. Alabaster opened his case, outlining briefly the facts which led to the claim being made by Lo Shui Po, and this morning evidence was entered into.

The case proceeded.

S.S. "SHINYO MARU."

The T. K. K. steamer *Shinyo Maru* (Captain H. Nagano), arrived at 7 a.m. to-day, from San Francisco, which port she left on April 10.

The *Shinyo Maru* brought many passengers, and about 1,800 tons of cargo for Hongkong. Included in the cargo is 451 silver bars from the Canadian Bank of Commerce consigned to the P. & O. Company here for transhipment.

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The Craigengower Cricket Club will be "At Home" on May 24, on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of its formation.

The following is the sports programme: Wheelbarrow Race, 50 yards. (Partners will be drawn for on the field.)

Potato Race, 50 yards.

Girls' Race, 75 yards. (For girls from 8 to 12 years. Post Entries.)

Egg and Spoon Race, Nomination, 50 yards.

Visitors' Race, 100 yards. Three Legged Race. (Post Entries.)

Children's Race, 50 yards. (For boys and girls under 8 years. Post Entries.)

Ladies' Nomination, 50 yards. (Treading the Needle and Lighting the Cigarette. Competitors will start with thread.)

Tilting the Bucket. (Partners will be drawn for on the field.)

No entrance fees. The entries close on May 17.

NEW NAVAL SURGEON CAPTAIN.

By the *Shinyo Maru* to-day there arrived Surgeon-Captain G. Sharman Woodwright, R.N., accompanied by Mrs. Woodwright.

Surgeon-Captain Woodwright has been appointed to the China Station for charge of Royal Naval Hospital, Hongkong, and general medical charge of the Navy here.

Surgeon-Captain G. A. Dreaper, R.N. at present in medical charge of the Navy and Hospital, will hand over to his successor and proceed Home with Mrs. Dreaper. They will be much missed in social circles, and Mrs. Dreaper particularly on account of her war work.

WEATHER FORECAST.

We are informed by the Observatory at Kowloon that there are no returns from Japan, Vladivostok or Weihaiwei.

Pressure has increased slightly at Shanghai and decreased slightly at other places.

There is shallow depression at Tonking and to the North of China the Sea.

East winds, Moderate, Foggy.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

A Japanese cook on board the s.s. *Africa Maru* of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, lying alongside the Kowloon Godowns, accidentally fell from the ship to the wharf, at 9 a.m. this morning. The man died on his way to hospital.

Mr. Olaf Thoresen, head of the Shanghai shipping firm of Thoresen and Co. accompanied by Mrs. and Miss Thoresen, has left Shanghai for Norway via the United States. Mr. Thoresen has been in Shanghai for the past twenty-four years.

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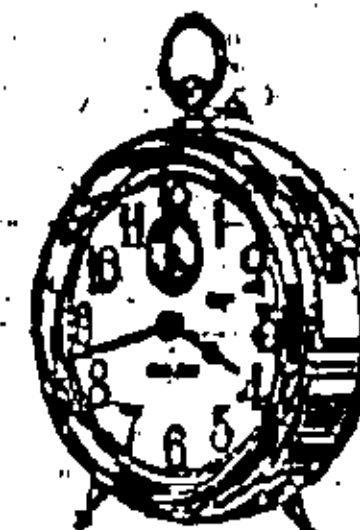
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DILWARA	23rd May	10th June

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HOKUTO MARU	on 21st June.
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SWATOW, WEIHAIWEI	TEAN	May 19, at Noon.	

FOR	STEAMERS	TO	DATE
SWATOW & BANGKOK	CHANGCHOW	May 19, at Noon.	
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SHANGHAI	SUTANG	May 22, at Noon.	
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KOBE	KUNSHANG	WEDNESDAY, May 21, at 5 p.m.	
SHANGHAI	KUNSHANG	FRIDAY, May 23, Daylight.	
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Michael Farrell, medical student,
was charged under D.O.R.A. regulations
with unlawful possession of a
document entitled "Ruthless War-
fare" and the first volume of an
official organ of the Sinn Fein
Volunteers.Police evidence was given that
112 copies of "Ruthless Warfare"
and 115 of the other work were
found beneath the mattress in
Farrell's bedroom. He said he knew
nothing about them. "Ruthless
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"If in any particular area there were
to be nothing but passive resistance
it would mean that there, at any
rate, the Government could go on
without having to face any casualty
list of killed and wounded. It would
mean, moreover, that no reinforce-
ments of troops would be required
from England or Flanders.Our active military resistance is
the only thing that will tell. A con-
scription campaign would be an
unprovoked onslaught by an Army
upon a civilian population, which
would give no choice between mur-
der on the spot and massacre after
an interval. If England decides on
this atrocity, then we on our part
must decide that in our resistance
we shall acknowledge no limit and
no scruple.We must recognise that anyone,
civilian or soldier, who assists directly
or by connivance in this crime
against us merits no more considera-
tion than a wild beast, and should
be killed without mercy or hesita-
tion as an opportunity offers. Any man
who knowingly and willingly does
anything to facilitate the working of
the machinery of conscription must
be dealt with exactly as if he were
an enemy soldier.The man who drives a police car
or assists in the transport of Army
supplies, having assisted the enemy,
must be shot or otherwise destroyed
with the least possible delay.The decision of the court will be
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The following is a list of unclaimed
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From	Address
Amoy	Sayenggiapong Fourth Storey, Lingda Central Market.
Amoy	Sweekee Co. Canton Road.
Osaka	C/O Onwanten Tan Tsoh- yoko.
Kobe	Teoh Hong.
Tokyo	Masaka, Nakano c/o N.Y.K. 8 King's Build- ing.
Tokyo	Satabakupan Hei Ming, Kee, West Camp.
Kobe	Winglinglo.
Tokohama	Paul Loving, Passenger Tanyo Maru.
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San Francisco	Aschang.
Yokohama	Tauhingloong Central.
Shanghai	Chinmensang Chungtung- lo.
Kobe	Gallop American Consul.
Shanghai	Hingwai.
Peking	Lilyeuntai No. 28 Tiliat- street.

H. O. CARSTENSEN,
For Acting Superintendent.List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in
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May 8, 1919:—	
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Harper	Shanghai
Here Whitehouse	Shanghai
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NEURALIA NOVARA	28th May, at Noon 7th August	30th June 5th Sept.	8th July 18th Sept.

BOMBAY via STRAITS & COLOMBO.

S.S.	Leave Hongkong about	Due Bombay about
DILWARA	23rd May	10th June

CALCUTTA via STRAITS and RANGOON.

ARRATON APCAR	Early June	Due Calcutta June.
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S.S.	Leave Hongkong about
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London & Antwerp via S'pore, Penang, Colombo, Suez & Port Said.	Nikko Maru, 9,600 tons	SATURDAY, 21st June, at 11 a.m.
Melbourne via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Is., Townsville, Brisbane, & Sydney	Shidzuka Maru, 12,520 tons	FRIDAY, 16th May, at Noon.
New York via Japan	Kaga Maru, 12,300 tons	SATURDAY, 31st May, at Noon.
Bombay via Singapore & Colombo	Aki Maru, 12,300 tons	WEDNESDAY, 21st May, at 11 a.m.
Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon	Tatsuno Maru, 14,930 tons (Cargo only)	TUESDAY, 27th May.
	Kaifuku Maru, 12,760 tons	WEDNESDAY, 14th May.
	Rifuzen Maru, No. 2	WEDNESDAY, 21st May.
	Tenzen Maru, 12,760 tons	MONDAY, 19th May.

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San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Pekin Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 18th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Columbia	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 21st May, at Noon.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	China	China Mail S.S. Co., Ltd.	On 2nd July.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Nanking	The Admiral Line	On 14th June.
San Francisco via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Western Knight	Ocean Shosen Kaisha	About 15th June.
Victoria, Vancouver, Seattle & Tacoma.	Africa Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 22nd May.
Victoria B.C. & Seattle via S'pore, &c.	Fushimi Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 22nd June, at 11 a.m.
Yokohama via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of Asia	Canadian O.S. Co.	On 19th June.
Yokohama via Shanghai, Japan &c.	Empress of Japan	Canadian O.S. Co.	On 19th June.
Sydney & Melbourne	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 19th June.
Australian Ports via Manila	Nahin Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 19th June.
Australian Ports via Japan	Ryū Maru	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	On 19th June.
Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama	Tango Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 24th May, at 11 a.m.
Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	Mitsushima Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 6th June, at 11 a.m.
Shanghai & Tsingtao	Choysang	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 13th May, at Noon.
Shanghai	Suiyang	Batterfield & Swire	On 22nd May, at Noon.
Hatohong	Daijoku Maru	Ocean Shosen Kaisha	On 21st May.
Tientsin	Cheongshing	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 14th May, at Noon.
Swatow, Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Tientsin	Kaichow	Batterfield & Swire	On 19th May, at Noon.
Swatow & Bangkok	Chiangchow	Ocean Shosen Kaisha	On 18th May, at 10 a.m.
Swatow via Swatow and Amoy	Rajo Maru	Douglas-Lapraik & Co.	On 18th May, at 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Shanghai	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 19th May, at 3 p.m.
Manila	Wingsang	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About 19th May.
Manila	Ribun Maru	P. & O. S.N. Co.	About 25th May, Noon.
Straits & London	Bancleuch	Ocean Shosen Kaisha	On 16th May.
Singapore, Colombo & Bombay	Dilwara	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th May.
Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Port Said	Neuralia	Ocean Shosen Kaisha	On 16th May.
Singapore & Colombo	Burma Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th May.
London and Antwerp	Amur Maru	Ocean Shosen Kaisha	On 16th May.
London via S'pore, Pang & C'bo &c.	Shidzuka Maru	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 16th May.
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MANILA.

THE above-mentioned vessel having
arrived from the above-mentioned ports,
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hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and
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and stored at Consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified
that they must produce an Import Permit
signed by the Superintendent of Imports
and Exports, Hongkong, before bills of
lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns where they
will be examined on May 14, 1919.

All claims must be presented within a
month of the steamer's arrival here, after
which date they cannot be recognized.
No claim will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns and all
Goods remaining undelivered after
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No Fire Insurance whatever will be
effected.
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their Bills of Lading for countersignature
immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.,
Alexandra Buildings,
J. ORAM SHEPPARD,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, May 9, 1919.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "COLOMBIA."
From SAN FRANCISCO, HONO-
LULU, JAPAN PORTS, SHANG-
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notified that they must produce an
Import Permit signed by the Superin-
tendent of the Imports and Exports,
Hongkong, before bills of lading can
be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged
goods are to be left in the godowns,
where they will be examined on May
19th at 10 o'clock.

All claims must be presented with-
in a month of the steamer's arrival
here, after which they cannot be re-
cognized.

No claim will be admitted after the
goods have left the godowns, and all
goods remaining undelivered after May
21st, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be
effected.
Consignees are requested to send in
their Bills of Lading for countersigna-
ture immediately.

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Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the
wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 16th instant,
at 5 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged pack-
ages are to be left in the Godowns,
where they will be examined by
Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, on 16th
May at 10 a.m.

Claims against the Steamer must
be presented within 30 days of arrival
otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.
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Hongkong, May 9, 1919.

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COMPANY REPORTS.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

The report for presentation to the shareholders at the forty-sixth ordinary meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton Ltd., to be held at noon on Thursday, 22nd May, 1919, states:

The Board has now to lay before the Shareholders a Balance Sheet containing a summary of the property and liabilities of the Society on the 31st December, 1918, and a statement of Working Accounts together with sterling equivalents.

1917 Account.—After payment of the interim dividend of \$30 per share and the bonus of 20% to Contributors passed at the last annual meeting there remains a balance of \$3,315,645.96 as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that this sum be appropriated as follows:—

A final dividend to shareholders of \$20 per share on 16,000 shares	\$ 320,000.00
A bonus dividend to shareholders of \$20 per share on 16,000 shares	320,000.00
An addition to the Reinsurance Fund of £150,000 @ Exchange 3/4 7/16	890,262.75
An addition to the Building Reserve Fund of £30,000 @ Exchange 3/4 7/16	178,052.55
To Equalization of Dividend Fund £50,000 @ 3/4 7/16	296,754.25
To be carried forward to Underwriting Suspense Account to close the account for the year 1917.	1,310,576.41
	\$3,315,645.96

1918 Account.—The Balance of Working Account on the 31st December, 1918, was \$6,239,222.94 as per annexed statement.

The Board recommends that an interim dividend of \$30 per share be paid to shareholders, absorbing \$480,000.00 and that a bonus of 20% be paid to contributors, absorbing about \$250,000.00, and that the remainder be carried forward.

Directors.—Since the last General Meeting Mr. G. T. Edkins has resigned his seat on leaving the Colony and Mr. R. Ross Thomson of Messrs. Butterfield & Swire has joined the Board. In accordance with Clause 80 of the Articles of Association Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. J. A. Plummer retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—Messrs. A. R. Lowe and C. Bernard Brown retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

P. H. HOLYOAK,
Chairman,

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1919.

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1917.

To Net Premium	£ 1,445,458	s. 15	d. 9	\$ 8,584,855	85
Interest	154,145	17	4	914,868	82
	£1,600,604	13	1	\$9,499,724	67
By Agency Commissions	£ 30,853	10	10	\$ 183,118	39
Head Office, Branches and Agency Charges	103,801	17	7	615,072	97
Remuneration to Directors, Committees and Auditors	4,346	9	6	25,795	70
Losses and Claims paid	797,212	5	11	4,731,522	75
	£936,214	3	10	\$5,558,510	81
Bonus of 20% paid to Contributors	25,465	3	3	151,137	30
Interim Dividend of \$30 per Share	80,273	9	10	475,430	00
Balance	558,651	16	2	3,315,645	96
	£1,600,604	13	1	\$9,499,724	67

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1918.

To Net Premium	£ 1,533,573	s. 2	d. 8	\$ 9,101,886	83
Interest	148,802	2	8	883,153	31
	£1,682,375	5	1	\$9,985,040	14
By Agency Commissions	£ 64,906	0	10	\$ 385,222	87
Head Office, Branches and Agency Charges	120,025	14	11	712,363	02
Remuneration to Directors, Committees and Auditors	4,329	2	6	25,993	72
Losses and Claims paid	441,870	5	4	2,622,537	59
Balance	1,051,244	1	6	6,239,222	94
	£1,682,375	5	1	\$9,985,040	14

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1918.

To Authorized Capital 16,000 Shares of \$250 each	\$4,000,000.00
Subscribed Capital 16,000 Shares of \$250 each upon which \$100 per Share called and paid up	269,583 6 8
To Reserve Fund—	
Silver	\$3,000,000.00
Sterling £195,000—	1,157,341 58
Building Reserve Fund £20,000 0 0	20,000 0 0
Reinsurance Fund £1,127,373 15 7	1,127,373 15 7
Underwriting Suspense Account	£131,571 6 1
Exchange Fluctuation Account	102,763 19 1
Investment Fluctuation Account	242,798 17 1
Working Account 1917 Balance	558,651 16 2
Working Account 1918 Balance	1,051,244 1 6
Sundry Creditors	630,629 1 4
	£4,835,084 19 6
By Cash with Bankers, on Current and Deposit Accounts—	
Silver	446,073 11 0
Gold	679,473 1 11
Investments in Silver Securities	1,313,946 14 10
Investment in Gold Securities	1,088,602 3 9
Foreign	£265,480 18 4
Sundry Debtors including Branch and Agency Balances—	
Silver	228,504 10 6
Gold	554,861 16 10
	£2,688,418 0 10
Mortgages—Silver	111,152 16 7
Leasehold Property	46,989 5 9
	£4,835,084 19 6

Sterling Exchange taken at 3/4 7/16.

P. H. HOLYOAK,

STANLEY H. DODWELL,

Directors,

C. MONTAGUE EDE,

General Manager.

A. S. WATSON & COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1918, for presentation to the Shareholders at the Thirty-fourth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of the Company to be held at the Hongkong Hotel on Friday, May, 23 says:

GENTLEMEN,

We beg to lay before you a statement of the Company's business with a Balance Sheet for the year ending the 31st December, 1918.

The Net Profits of the Company for the twelve months under review, after providing for all bad and doubtful debts, and donations to charities of \$1,260, amount to \$43,353.80 To which has to be added the balance brought forward from last year 4,975.48

Leaving available for appropriation \$48,329.28

We propose to pay a dividend of 4 per cent. which will absorb \$36,000.00

Write off Building Improvements, Furniture, Fittings, Utensils of Trade, 8,000.00

Write off Aerated Water and other Plant and Machinery 4,000.00

And carry forward to 1919 account 329.28

\$48,329.28

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

The existing Committee consists of Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., Mr. J. Scott Harston, and Mr. H. P. White.

AUDITORS.

The Company's Accounts have been audited by Mr. F. Maitland and Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., who offer themselves for re-election.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

HONGKONG, 12th May, 1919.

BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1918.

Capital Account	\$900,000.00
Reserve Fund	200,000.00
Local and General Liabilities in the East and in America	\$78,528.48
Local and General Liabilities in London	25,660.39
	104,188.87
Advance against Mortgage (up to \$125,000) on Marine Lot No. 293 and the Buildings thereon, and Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1208 and the Buildings thereon	85,000.00
Bills Payable	42,020.99
Unclaimed Dividends	4,228.00
Security Deposits from Staff	\$22,000.00
Security Deposits from Customers	13,700.00
	35,700.00
Profit and Loss—	
Forward from 1917 Account	\$ 4,975.48
Net Profit 1918	43,353.80
	48,329.28

ASSETS.

Land and Buildings—	
Section E. of Inland Lot No. 19 and the Buildings thereon	\$60,000.00
Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1208 and the Buildings thereon	27,500.00
Marine Lot No. 293 and the Buildings thereon	161,245.18
Remaining portion of Section D of Inland Lot No. 1026 and the Buildings thereon	20,767.21
Shamene Lot No. 74 and the Buildings thereon, Canton Extra Concession Lot No. 78 and the Buildings thereon	62,000.00
Inland Lot No. 1780 and the Buildings thereon, Hongkong, as per last Account	9,066.00
Additions during 1918	\$57,979.60
	34,123.70
	92,103.00
	\$432,681.69

Building Improvements, Furniture, Fittings and Trade Utensils at Hongkong, Canton and at Native Branches—

As per last Account \$19,990.11

Written off for depreciation 4th May, 1918 7,835.51

Added during 1918 \$12,154.60

\$39,553.07

Aerated Water and Other Plant and Machinery at Hongkong, Canton and Amoy—

As per last Account \$78,993.54

Written off for depreciation 4th May, 1918 15,164.49

\$63,829.05

Disposed of by sale of Amoy Ice and Aerated Water Factory—

14,021.02

\$ 49,808.03

Added during 1918 421.25

\$ 50,229.28

423.51

Disposed of during 1918 49,805.47

Steam Launch, Steam Lighter and Motor Junk—

As per last Account \$ 18,400.00

Written off for depreciation 4th May, 1918 2,000.00

16,400.00

Total Stocks in Trade 117,913.14

Fire Insurance Premiums and Licences unexpired 665,059.07
Cash in hand, Hongkong and Branches	4,903.16
Good Debts due from Customers	\$110,674.21
Sundry Debtors	38,830.29
	149,504.50
Mortgage by W. J. Haynes, on Shanghai Aerated Water Plant and Machinery	29,000.00
Cash at Bank, Hongkong and Branches	\$ 1,150.59
	7,254.99
	20,405.58
	\$1,419,467.14

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1918.

To Auditors' Fees	\$ 700.00
To Consulting Committee's Fees	1,500.00
To General Managers' Commission	2,281.77
To Net Profit for the year	43,353.80
	\$47,835.57
By Balance from Working Account	\$47,835.57
	\$47,835.57

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Consulting Committee.

CREDIT.

\$47,835.57

J. A. TARRANT,

Secretary.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

"HELLO, HAWAII!"

The Banvard American Musical Comedy Co., had another "crowded house" at the Theatre Royal last night when they presented for the second time the musical absurdity "Hello, Hawaii!" of which so much was written in yesterday's *China Mail*. Last night's audience was very appreciative and promptly gave credit where it was due. One gratifying thing to note about last night's attendance was the fact that everybody got into the "Yankee Way" and turned up by whatever garb they thought most comfortable and shut up coats and lounge suits were more in evidence than the hard fronted shirts and cloth as which,

In the summer months, make one shrink from theatre going. That those present were satisfied with last night's fare is only putting it mildly. "Oh, Papa," will be presented at the 4.30 p.m. matinee and at the 9.30 show to-day. "Off to the Front" is advertised for Friday and Saturday nights.

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MAKE it a rule of your home to always keep on hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic and Diarrhoea Remedy as a safeguard against bowel complaint. It always cures promptly and no household is safe without it. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BUDAPEST IS BUDAPEST.

London, April 27th. Delayed.

A telegram from Berlin reported, from Budapest, that the Communists have arrested hundreds of bourgeois and prominent people, who will be assassinated if Rumanian or Allied troops occupy Hungary.

ALLIES TO RESTORE ORDER.

General Berthelot has arrived at Hermannstadt and issued a proclamation that the Allied Armies will occupy Hungary and restore order.

THE WORKS OF JOSEPHUS.

London, April 27th. Delayed.

The Secretary of the American Navy, Mr. Josephus Daniels, inspected the German fleet at Scapa Flow on Saturday. Speaking at a lunch given on the Admiralty flag, Mr. Daniels emphasised that American naval men brought back into America the spirit of friendship and fellowship of their brothers in the British Navy. He was greatly impressed at seeing the powerful German Fleet at Scapa Flow guarded by a few drifters. Germany would never again have a navy, because it lacked courage.

HOLLAND.

The Hague, April 27th. Delayed.

It is officially announced that all restrictions into Holland of overseas goods have been rescinded. Therefore, the Netherlands Overseas Trade is authorised to grant licences for unlimited supplies of all goods, except war-material, but it is settled that immediately on the restoration of peace they will be taken over by certain Japanese business men. Smaller buildings are also being eagerly bought by Japanese merchants. In fact, with the sole exception of such international concerns as the Standard Oil Co. and Samuel S. White & Co., it has become difficult for foreign firms to cope with Japanese merchants, and, in consequence, they are being driven to "tenement houses." The International Building, which is the oldest erection designed for offices, has long been full. To meet the increasing demand for offices, the old building at No. 75 has been repaired and christened Board of Trade Building. The Anglo-American Building is now really ready. These are all buildings whose rooms are let exclusively for offices.

THE BOLSHIEVIST WAR.

Helsingfors, April 27th. Delayed.

It is reported that a Finnish force captured the town of Lotinapolto on the White Sea coast, an important strategic junction of roads, and of the Petrograd-Murmur railway.

The Bolshevik torpedo-boat flotilla stationed here will not be able to escape and will doubtless be captured. Further Finnish detachments are advancing upon Petrozki, the capital of the Province of Olonetz.

London, April 28th. Delayed.

A telegram from Bern states that the Ukrainian Government reports that the Ukrainians captured Kiev. The whole peasantry are revolting against the Bolsheviks in Western Ukraine.

LEAGUE NOW HAS SECRETARY.

London, April 28th. Delayed.

Sir James Eric Drummond has been appointed first Secretary-General of the League of Nations.

NAVAL AFFAIRS.

Simla, April 28th. Delayed.

It is understood that Admiral Lord Jellicoe has headed H.E. the Viceroy a report on naval affairs in Indian waters for submission to the Admiralty.

YOKOHAMA.

The decline of foreign firms in Yokohama is not checked by the prospects of peace in the near future. The number of big buildings for sale or unoccupied is gradually increasing; and of the larger premises for sale 90 per cent. are bought by Japanese and the unoccupied buildings are also repaired with Japanese capital. In this way, Japanese are steadily replacing foreign merchants in the business quarters of the Settlement. For instance, says the *Jiji*, the Yokohama branch of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha recently bought and removed to the four-storey building at the corner of No. 53. Although it is somewhat old news, the Toyo Kisen Kaisha bought the Club Hotel on the Bund, while the Morimura Shoji Kaisha and the Yano Joko & Co. have entrenched themselves in the Settlement for some time. The Yokohama Ironworks, formerly under foreign management, has become a branch workshop of the Uchida Dockyard. The ice-manufacture on the canal side has likewise passed under Japanese management. The warehouses near Kagucho Police Station are mostly filled with goods owned by Japanese merchants.

But what is particularly noteworthy is the reverse of German firms. The buildings of Hies & Co. and of Otto Reimers & Co. have been for sale at Y.300,000 each since the beginning of this year. The great buildings of H. Albers & Co. and Carl Rohde & Co. are simply deserted, as they are unmanageably big, but it is settled that immediately on the restoration of peace they will be taken over by certain Japanese business men. Smaller buildings are also being eagerly bought by Japanese merchants. In fact, with the sole exception of such international concerns as the Standard Oil Co. and Samuel S. White & Co., it has become difficult for foreign firms to cope with Japanese merchants, and, in consequence, they are being driven to "tenement houses." The International Building, which is the oldest erection designed for offices, has long been full. To meet the increasing demand for offices, the old building at No. 75 has been repaired and christened Board of Trade Building. The Anglo-American Building is now really ready. These are all buildings whose rooms are let exclusively for offices.

A British subject named Miss M. E. Booth, who left Shanghai for Kobe by the s.s. *Takushima Maru*, is believed to have committed suicide on the voyage by jumping overboard. She was missing when the vessel arrived at Kobe, and the Japanese authorities returned her personal effects to the British authorities in Shanghai.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

May 15.

Per s.s. *Shingo Maru* for Hongkong: Mr. D. R. de Abaila, Mrs. D. S. Abaila, and infant, Dr. T. C. Arvin, Mr. Aug. Tak Bo, Mrs. I. Aoki, Mr. C. S. Bernabe, Mrs. C. S. Bernabe and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Bramwell and 3 children, Mrs. E. Bourne, Mr. G. Bulewicz, Mr. J. A. Baer, Mrs. W. E. Blyth and child, Mr. H. Bowrey, Mrs. E. Bowlings and daughter, Mr. F. Beattie, Mrs. F. Beattie, Mrs. E. Van Bergen, Lady C. Baster, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Campbell, Mr. D. Carter, Mr. Chua Liong Seng, Mr. J. A. Clemente, Mr. R. Campes, Mr. J. A. Dobbie, Mrs. Dun Tak, Mr. H. J. Eddo, Mrs. J. W. Ford, Mr. E. A. Green, Mr. L. E. Gutteres, Mr. J. E. R. Green, Mr. B. E. Gregory, Mr. J. R. Hovred, Mr. G. Hastinane, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hicks and child, Mr. L. Hansen and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Iverson, Mr. R. Javie, Mr. T. Jorgensen, Mr. H. Jennings, Mr. W. Kawas, Mr. and Mrs. T. Kunda, Mr. J. Larnaca, Mrs. T. Miyoshi and child, Mr. S. H. A. J. Metzel, Mr. H. Meyersohn, Mr. E. Maki, Mrs. L. B. Matson, Mr. H. J. Monro, Mrs. F. Makamura, Mr. F. Moleberr, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Niebel, Mr. N. M. Nilson, Mr. W. F. Priestley, Mr. E. R. Fort, Mr. C. E. Quimby, Mr. G. Robertson, Mr. J. Ransay, Mr. F. Reyes, Mr. and Mrs. N. F. Romanoff and child, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Reis and Master Reis, Mr. D. de Rosa, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Rosa, Mr. and Mrs. J. Schwartz, Mr. L. Sequeira, Miss M. W. Sproull, Mr. W. M. Smith, Mr. G. E. Sibbett, Mrs. F. C. Spencer and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Standfield, Mr. R. H. Sibley, Mr. C. Thier, Mr. S. R. Temple, Mr. C. Taylor, Mr. Te Pao, Mr. W. Cho, Comd. and Mrs. F. W. Vining, R.N., Mr. V. P. Waters, Surg. Capt. and Mrs. C. Y. Woodwright, R.N., Mr. W. F. Woyon, Mrs. E. Ward, Mrs. Yap Yip Kay, Mr. Yap Hoo and family, Master Yap Chen Fung, Master Yap Yip Kay, Master Yap Ling Seng, Master Yan Tse Seng, Mrs. H. O. Youngberg, Mr. H. A. Xiques, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Zoelling and 2 children.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1904-8.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

May 16 to 22, 1919.

JACK WATER				LOW WATER			
Day of Week	Month	Day	Height above ebb	ft.	Day of Week	Month	Day
Fri	18	m	9 31	1.02	m	3 12	2.9
			11 31	4.2		4 28	0.0
Sat	17	m	9 31	7.1	m	3 41	3.2
						4 57	0.0
Sun	18	m	10 31	4.1	m	4 14	2.4
						5 30	1.0
Mon	19	m	10 31	3.0	m	5 00	0.0
						6 16	1.2
Tue	20	m	1 31	8.8	m	4 48	3.6
			11 31	3.5		5 54	1.4
Wed	21	m	2 31	3.3	m	4 16	2.6
						5 22	0.0
Thur	22	m	3 31	6.4	m	4 44	3.8
						5 50	0.0

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PROCEEDINGS IN PARIS.

Versailles, April 28th.

The second session of the German Peace Delegation, which arrived here today, consisted of 37 members, of whom 30 are men.

It includes a Commission for the reduction of armaments, also a Commission for trade affairs comprising 35 members including 18 women.

The Delegation also includes a number of telephonists, telegraphists, a courier, a doctor, and a hair-dresser.

Paris, April 28th.

Posters appealing to the population to maintain a wary and calm attitude during the peace negotiations are being displayed in Versailles by order of the Municipality.

AN IMPENITENT GERMAN.

Berlin, April 28th.

The Russian Minister of the Interior, in the course of a luncheon speech in the course of which he attempted to persuade the Germans that they must humiliate themselves because they had been responsible for the war, said that the present Entente statesmen had become as mad in the last year as he himself had been, as ever the former German rulers had been.

RUBBER GROWERS.

London, April 28th.

At a meeting of the Rubber Growers' Association, Sir John Anderson said that the present war had been an important event in the history of the rubber industry, and that the industry, except by the Colonial Secretary, was out of date and must be altered.

He suggested that each of the important Crown Colonies should be given the right to elect a representative to the House of Commons.

The Crown Colonies had taken an important share in the war, and it only remained, it was said, to give them some mark of recognition. (Cheers.)

LABOURITE FAVOURS SELF-DETERMINATION.

London, April 28th.

The Labourite, Mr. Thomas Crewe Wilson, made a remarkable appeal to the judgment of mankind when he said that those in authority had no right to determine the lives and destinies of millions, regardless of their sentiments. It was true we were committed to Italy, by a secret treaty, behind the backs of our people, but we were living in a different age from 1914. Our determination must be respected.

Just as Italy, France, and America continued to the destruction of militarism, they must find a solution to another war.

FOOD CONTROL.

London, April 28th.

The Food Controller, speaking at St. Paul's, said that, excluding Germany and Bulgaria, nearly 12,000 tons of foodstuffs had daily been delivered in Europe during March in order to avert starvation, while thousands of tons of food were actually delivered in Germany since the relief arrangements had been completed on March 14th.

Moreover, during April, 100,000 tons would be sent to Germany, while plans were being formulated systematically to feed over 1,000,000 children in the liberated areas of Central and Eastern Europe. Furthermore, we were largely helping to feed France, Italy, Belgium, Greece, Switzerland and Portugal.

EGYPT.

London, April 28th.

Reuter learns that the Government is considering a proposal to send a special Mission to Egypt, with Lord Milner at the head, to report to the Home Government on questions concerning the Constitution of the Protectorate.

It has not yet been decided whether Lord Milner will go.

CAIRO, April 28th.

The effect of General Allenby's proclamation was immediate. The great majority of the Government employees returned to work this morning.

All the more sober and thinking Egyptians feel that immobility, whether in demands or agitation, will only lead to disappointment and disaster.

The American recognition of the British protectorate also acted as a cold douche on the extremists.

That the very country responsible for the doctrine of self-determination, and that people who were so completely and enthusiastically misunderstood in these Eastern lands, should take the lead in recognising Britain's position in Egypt, has brought home, with added force, the futility of their exaggerated aspirations.

NAVAL YUG LOST.

Buenos Aires, April 28th.

The British naval tug *Thetis* sank off Newport. Twenty-two were drowned, and ten were rescued.

The *Thetis* was carrying explosives for clearing the Ostend Channel. The disaster is uncertain whether the disaster was due to an explosion or to stranding on a sand-bank.

ROWING.

Paris, April 28th.

The Inter-Allied Rowing eight, resulted as follows:

New Zealand 1

America 2

France 3

Newfoundland 4

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

GERMAN DOINGS.

Berlin, April 28th.

Military operations against the Munich Soviet Government begin today, under the Command of General Mehl.

The Bavarian Government announces that the Wurttemberg and other Imperial troops are participating in the operations. Martial law is being proclaimed today throughout Bavaria.

Government troops captured the town of Landshut from the Spartacists, while the latter have advanced their lines.

Government troops occupied the Town Hall and public buildings at Nuremberg. (Continued, April 28th.)

A message from Berlin, dated April 28th, states that the strength of the Red Army at Munich is estimated to be between thirty and sixty thousand, but capable fighters are reckoned at twelve thousand, the balance being mercenary hangers-on.

ANTI-GOVERNMENT PLOT AT NUREMBERG.

A telegram from Nuremberg states that it appears that Government troops occupied the public buildings owing to the discovery of an extensive and well-organized Communist plot against the Government.

The Communist leader, Dr. Schmidt, was killed, while resisting the authorities. Two other Communists were arrested.

Berlin, April 28th.

A message from Munich states that it is reported that a Spartacist soldier dragged from hospital and killed Lieut. Arco Vally, who assassinated Herr Eisner.

The ex-Minister of the Interior, Herr Auer, and the ex-War Minister, Herr Rosenbaum, who were wounded in the recent Diet affair, fled from hospital, owing to their lives being threatened.

Copenhagen, April 28th.

A message from Berlin states that the Foreign Office has received over hundred telegrams from Missionary societies hoping that the Peace Treaty will assure to German missionaries the complete right of settlement and unhindered activity in overseas possessions of all nations.

THE RELEASE OF GERMAN WAR PRISONERS.

Le Liberté understands that the Foreign Ministers have settled the question of the release of German war-prisoners, who will be gradually liberated, after the signing of peace, according to the civilian workers contributed by Germany for reconstruction work in France and Belgium.

U.S. LABOUR LEADER HURT.

New York, April 28th.

Mr. Samuel Gompers was thrown out of a motor car and had his ribs fractured.

HERBERT SAMUEL'S NEW JOB.

London, April 28th.

Mr. Herbert Samuel has been appointed Special Commissioner to assist reconstruction in Belgium.

INTERNATIONAL SOCIALISTS.

Amsterdam, April 28th.

The permanent Commission of the International Labour and Socialist Conference, recently held in Berne, has begun its sittings. Delegates from Britain, Ireland, Russia, Sweden, France, Argentina, Denmark, Estonia, and Belgium were present.

The delegates of 25 countries have announced their intention of attending.

The German delegates are arriving on April 28th.

ITALIAN DEMONSTRATIONS.

Rome, April 28th.

Professor Orlando arrived here from Paris to-day, and received a very enthusiastic reception.

Addressing the crowd in the station, on arrival, Professor Orlando, with tears in his eyes, said that the demonstrations of the Italians in Paris, the popular demonstrations in Italy, and his journey to Rome, proved that the Italian delegations had fully interpreted the will of the people.

The situation was grave. Italy might be confronted with fresh and greater sacrifices and privation, but Italy, which had known hunger, had never known dishonour. "Perhaps, we will find ourselves alone; but Italy must be united and have a single will. Italy will not perish."

The speech was punctuated with cheers for America and Italy, and with cries of "Down with Wilson" and "We will face anything."

General Diaz and Signor Barzilai also spoke and were similarly acclaimed.

The crowd dragged the automobile containing the Delegates and the Mayor to the Quirinal, forcing their way with difficulty through masses of people.

A group of British officers at one point shouted "Long live the Italian army."

The crowd responded with "Long live Britain." They took two hours to traverse the short distance to the Quirinal, where, meanwhile, enthusiastic scenes were taking place. Their Majesties were repeatedly called to the balcony, and reappeared when the automobile arrived.

Professor Orlando and General Diaz, standing up in the car, saluted King Victor Emmanuel responding.

Professor Orlando and his companions went to the balcony. The ovations continued for a long time.

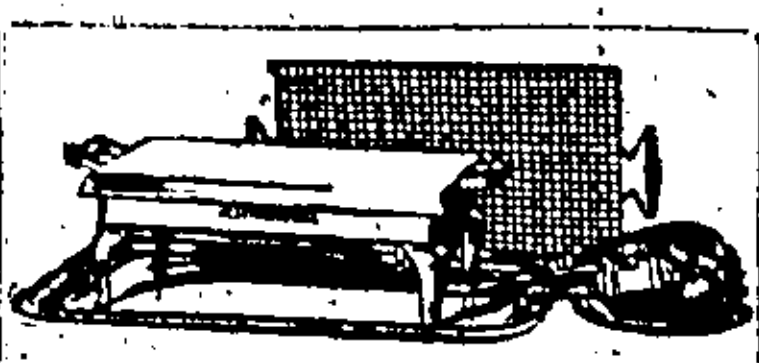
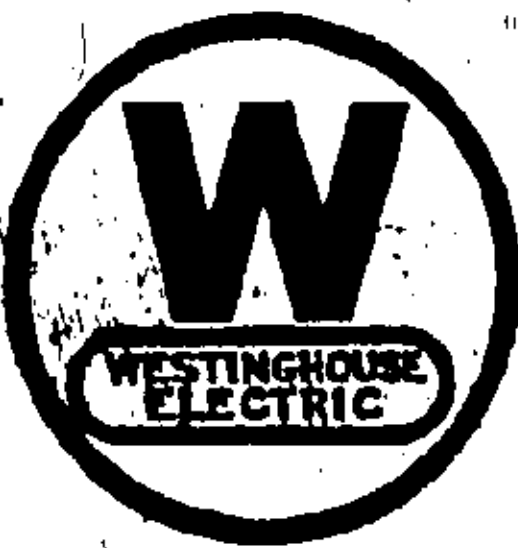
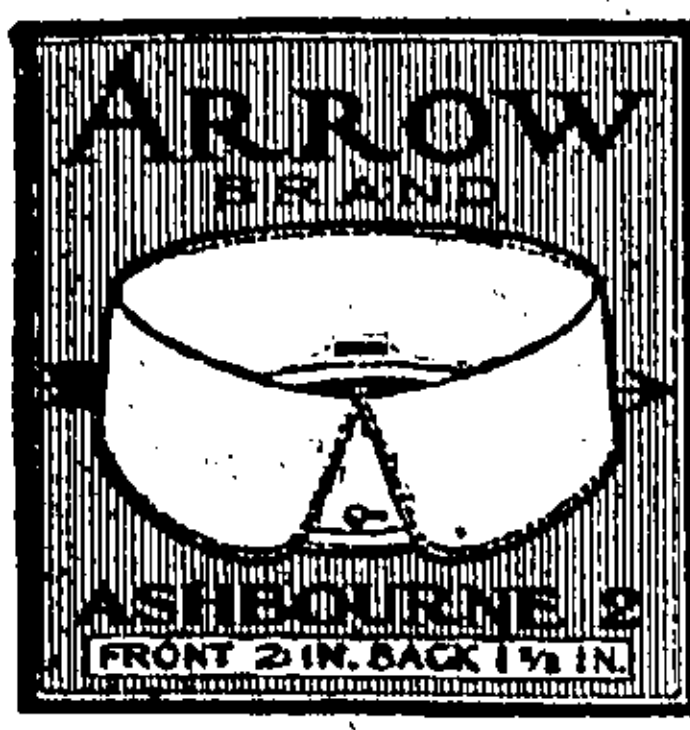
Great demonstrations occurred at Fiume and Bologna on Friday, protesting against the "attempt to infringe the sanctity of Italy's right to Fiume and Dalmatia."

BLIZZARD AT HOME.

London, April 28th.

England was swept by a terrific blizzard on Sunday. Eight inches of snow fell in London. Trains and buses were partially paralyzed. Thousands of telephone and telegraph wires came down. Heavy damage was done to crops and livestock.

NOTICES.



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The parcel post service to Cuba is suspended.

It is notified that all restrictions as to the use of wireless telegraphy by Merchant Vessels on the China Station have been abolished.

The Services to Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and the Ottoman Empire are suspended.

No unofficial letter addressed to Abdan, Ahwar, or Mohammara in the Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in weight.

The insured letter and insured parcel services between Egypt (or in transit through Egypt) and Cyprus are temporarily suspended.

Uninsured parcels for the United Kingdom will in future be forwarded from Hongkong in bags and the Public are therefore advised to pack such parcels very carefully.

Until further notice parcels for civil addresses in the provinces of Unio, Vicenza, Treviso Padua, Venice and Belluno in Italy will not be accepted for transmission unless posted under the British War Office Permit.

The Parcel Post Services to British East Africa and Egypt (except for members of the Expeditionary Forces), and to Abyssinia, Bagdad, Frithree, French Somali Coast, Italian Somaliland, Portuguese East Africa, Zanzibar and Russia have been suspended.

Registered and Parcel Mails close 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated.

In the case of Mails closing before 9 a.m. Registration closes at 5 o'clock on the previous evening.

INWARD MAILS.

SUNDAY, May 18.
Straits-Per ARRATON APCAR.

OUTWARD MAILS.

FRIDAY, May 16.
Shanghai and North China-Per HANGSANG, 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and EUROPE via SUEZ-Per SHIDZOTOKA MARU. Registration 6.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow-Per HATTAN, 1 p.m.

SATURDAY, May 17.
Dairen-Per URBAN MARU, 11 a.m.
Straits and Bangkok-Per LINAN, 2 p.m.
Straits and India via Calcutta-Per CHAKSANG, 2 p.m.

Shanghai and North China-Per CHENAN, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China-Per CHOWSANG, 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, May 18.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung-Per KALIO MARU, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Weibo, Chefoo and Tientsin-Per KUEICHO, 9 a.m.

MONDAY, May 19.
Swatow and Bangkok-Per CHANG-CHOW, 11 a.m.
Philippine Islands-Per WINGSANG, 2 p.m.

TUESDAY, May 20.
Pakhoi and Haiphong-Per KAIFONG, 9 a.m.

Shanghai and North China-Per A. APCAR, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow-Per HAI-HONG, 1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 21.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Kobe, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO-Per COLOMBIA. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

THURSDAY, May 22.
Shanghai and North China-Per SUITANG, 11 a.m.

FRIDAY, May 23.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO-Per SHINYO MARU. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

SATURDAY, May 24.
Shanghai and North China-Per YINGCHOW, 9 a.m.

MONDAY, May 25.
Swatow and Bangkok-Per HUPEH, 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, May 27.
Shanghai and North China-Per TEAN, 11 a.m.

ARRIVALS.

May 14.
HSIN CHANG, Chi, 1,268 tons, from Canton, Capt. Davis, China Merchants S.N. Co. C43.
KAMIJIMA MARU, Jap, 807 tons, from Canton, Capt. Umehara, Suzuki, C48.
PAK LING, Brit, 2,054 tons, from Shanghai, Capt. E. B. Francis, B. & S., Holts buoy.

May 15.
KAIO MARU, Jap, 1,126 tons, from Swatow, Capt. Evans, O.S.E., Wharf.
AFRICA MARU, Jap, 3,083 tons, from Manila, Capt. Kusanagi, O.S.K., Kowloon Wharf.

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